

Sunday Service for May 12, 2019

A SILENT TIME OF PREPARATION

PRELUDE “Rise Up, O Church of God” -arr. T. Waldrop (*Handbell Choir*)

PASTORAL GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT #261 “Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

• CALL TO WORSHIP (*Responsively*)

One: The living Lord is my Shepherd,

All: I shall not want.

One: Hear what the Good Shepherd says as we gather for this celebration:

“A new commandment I give you: that you love one another, even as I have loved you”.

All: Love is not just a matter of words but is expressed in deeds of justice and mercy.

One: Let us worship God with a love that grows larger the closer we grow to each other, and which grows more inclusive the closer we grow to God.

All: Amen! Praise and thanksgiving be to God forever and ever!

• GATHERING HYMN #295 “In This Very Room”

• PRAYER AT GATHERING (*In unison*)

Mighty God, to whom all honor belongs, and all songs of praise are sung, you have gathered us from near and far to be in this place, at this time, and praise your name. Join our song with the music of heaven as we worship this day in the glorious light of Christ.

• THE GLORIA PATRI #35 (*Sung by all*)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost.**

As it was in the beginning,

Is now, and ever shall be

World without end. Amen. Amen.

• A TIME OF CHRISTIAN GREETING

• CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #63 “How Majestic Is Your Name”

HANDBELL CHOIR “Emma’s Theme” -H. Morris (*Jessica Lawton, Flute*)

CHILDREN’S TIME

YOUTH CHOIR “God Bless Families” -N. Sleeth

INTERLUDE “Walk With Me” (*Sung by all*)
(*Children age 3 – 8th grade are invited to join us for Sunday School.*)

**Walk with me; I will walk with you,
And build the land that God has planned,
Where love shines through.**

(*Ushers will collect prayer cards at this time.*)

SCRIPTURE

First Reading:	Acts 9:36-43	(page 128)
	Psalm 23	(page 501)
Second Reading:	John 10:22-30	(page 104)
	Revelation 7:9-17	(page 249)

SERMON

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (*In unison*)

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

OFFERTORY INVITATION

OFFERTORY “Serenade” -J. Haydn (*Jessica Lawton, Flute*)

• OFFERTORY RESPONSE “Doxology” (*Sung by all*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ the Word in flesh born low;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
One God, Triune, whom we adore. Amen.**

• DEDICATION OF GIFTS (*In unison*)

Gracious and loving God, all your works, all that you have done for us, testify to your love. You gave your Son to bring us the promise of eternal life. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may all that we do and all that we are testify to your amazing care and compassion. In gratitude and love, we offer ourselves to you. Amen.

- SENDING HYMN “As the Deer” (*See insert*)
- COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION
- MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE “Hymn to Joy” -arr. J. Payne

Enter to Worship – Depart to Serve

Our time of worship concludes at the end of the Postlude. If you would like to remain in the sanctuary to listen to this music written and played to glorify God, please do so quietly.

Otherwise, you may join others in the narthex for refreshments and fellowship.

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